



BioTrans, LLC
212 Gates Road
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CITATION AND NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described below.

Date of Violation: Between August 4 and 5, 2014

9 C.F.R. § 2.131(b)(1) Handling of animals.

(b)(1) Handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

You failed to handle animals as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that did not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort. You hired a person that was not registered as a carrier or intermediate handler under the AWA to transport 27 ferrets from the Birmingham Airport to a research facility. This person contracted with another unregistered person, who in turn contracted with a third unregistered person, to transport the animals. Upon their arrival at the research facility, 25 ferrets had died from overheating and the 2 remaining ferrets were euthanized because of overheating.

The penalty for the alleged violation(s) described above is \$12,825.